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SUBJECT:ISRAELI STUDENT PROGRAM1976-77 TRAVEL ONLY
GRANTS

1. IN LIGHT OF JULIA HORVATH'S DEMONSTRATED ABILITY TO OBTAIN FURTHER FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE, BFS NOW APPROVES GRANT.
2. AT URGING OF CU/NEA, BFS HAS RECONSIDERED GRANT REQUEST FOR ARIEL AND NOW APPROVES.
3. BFS HAS ONCE AGAIN REVIEWED THE QUESTIONS SURROUNDING THE REQUEST FOR URI WERNIK AND IS DISTURBED BY THE ELEMENTS INDICATED BELOW:

A. IT APPEARS FROM HIS APPLICATION FORMS THAT WERNIK AND HIS US CITIZEN WIFE ARE FREQUENT TRAVELERS TO THE UNITED STATES AND THAT HE HAS HAD OPPORTUNITIES FOR THE CROSS-CULTURAL EXPERIENCES CU HOPES TO FOSTER WITH ITS GRANTS. IT APPEARS TO BFS THAT THE ELEMENT OF MUTUALITY IN THE CU
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PROGRAM IS NOT FULFILLED IN THE EXTENSION OF A GRANT TO

WERNIK.

B. POST IS CORRECT THAT EVIDENCE OF FINANCIAL NEED IS NOT A
PRIMARY CONSIDERATION FOR A CU TRAVEL ONLY GRANT. HOW-
EVER, BFS WOULD HOPE THAT CU MONIES WOULD BE OFFERED
PRIMARILY TO THOSE WHO WOULD INDEED BE DEPRIVED OF A STUDY
OPPORTUNITY IN THE US WERE IT NOT FOR THE TRAVEL GRANT.
BFS SAYS QUOTE WERNIK DOES NOT FALL WITHIN OUR RULES
UNQUOTE.

4. RALPH VOGEL CU/BFS AND MARSHALL BERG CU/NEA

APPRECIATED GREATLY THE OPPORTUNITY TO DISCUSS THE FOUN-
DATION PROGRAM WITH BEN YAACOV. THESE BFS DECISIONS ARE
BEING COMMUNICATED TO HIM. KISSINGER

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